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State budget woes stall University contracts, budget

By SARA SITZMAN
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Last Thursday the Board of Regents was unable to approve a budget for the University's 2001-'02 school year due to the Missouri state budget shortfalls.

The state is suffering from the shortfalls as a result of declining tax revenue. Another 15 percent will have to be shaved off the current state budget, and in turn will affect the higher education budget. However, it is uncertain if higher education institutions will have to cut their current budgets by 15 percent.

"If there's a 15 percent cut or withholding, that will be a major challenge for us but it could be only a two to three percent cut," University President Dean Hubbard said. "I just have no idea what they'll do. We're supposed to know by the thirteenth of July."

The Board of Regents decided to extend the current budget and contracts until the state responds with a specific percentage of cuts.

The University does have reserves for this type of situation. A process of action is in place for situations that require budget trimming, Hubbard said.

Students would see a change in tuition if the University were forced to reduce 15 percent of the budget.

"I suspect if it was 15 percent, there would be some tuition surcharge," Hubbard said. "That might happen across the state."

"However, instruction comes first. Students come first. That means you preserve the quality of academic programs. We wouldn't sacrifice our strengths."

Another issue pending on the state budget is the renewal of teacher contracts. Once a decision from the state is reached, the University will work rapidly to issue contracts, hopefully by July 20, Hubbard said.

With their contracts, teachers may not be receiving an increase in pay like first expected.

"We developed a budget with a two percent salary increase into it but whether or not we can sustain that is uncertain," Hubbard said.

The state is expected to get back with the University on specific cuts between July 13 and 15.

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PHOTO BY S. CHEYENNE SHAFFER/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Samantha Dooley, 4, rides her tricycle in the Lisa Lane Fourth of July parade. The parade is in its 24th year and was followed by a neighborhood barbecue.

Fourth includes Lisa Lane parade

For the past 24 years, Fourth of July celebrations in Maryville have included neighborhood parades, get-together barbecue after the short one-street parade

By SARA SITZMAN
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With sunny skies and humid air, the 24th Annual Lisa Lane Parade took place at 7 p.m. Tuesday night in front of Mick and Jennifer Henry's house.

Vi Crum was responsible for making the parade flyers that the neighborhood children took door to door down Lisa Lane.

For the past two years Crum has been responsible for creating the parade's theme. "I just think up a theme," Crum said. "This year it's Red, White and Blue in America. Everybody tries to dress toward that."

Jan Corley helped create the parade tradition 24 years ago. At the beginning, the parade was held in the morning but it was switched to the evenings in hopes of cooler temperatures, Corley said.

"It's something we started a long time ago," Corley said. "My children's children are in it now. The kids have a ball."

The parade consisted of children carrying a banner, toddlers on tri-

cycles, children in costumes and babies in strollers. Following the parade was one Missouri Highway Patrol car.

"It's kinda fun," Crum said. "It's never very long. It lasts a whole five minutes."

Nikki Yount's three children, Ridge, 6, Justine, 5, and Braxton, 18 months, participated in the parade. Ridge said his favorite part was riding his bike in the parade.

"They think this is cool," Yount said.

Thirteen-year-old Jessica Pival also participated in the parade. Along with three of her friends, Pival dressed up as the fashion po-

lice, marched in the parade and handed out tickets to anybody violating fashion laws.

"It was just a funny idea we had," Pival said.

After the parade traveled down the Lisa Lane street hill and back up again, a neighborhood barbecue was hosted by the Corleys.

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JAN CORLEY
LISA LANE RESIDENT



PHOTO BY S. CHEYENNE SHAFFER/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Steve Gaskill (left) and his son, Anthony Gaskill, pick up cardboard to be recycled at Maryville Meadows Apartments.

Council lowers price for dumping of waste

By T. JUSTIN ROSS
CHIEF REPORTER

The city of Maryville has taken a step toward keeping its trash in town.

It was decided by a unanimous vote during the June 25 City Council meeting to lower the tipping fee at the city landfill from \$67 to \$50 per ton of garbage. This change is only on a trial basis until Aug. 31, when the price drop will be re-evaluated.

The move stems from the loss of usage of the city's landfill and transfer station by major trash collectors such as Williams and Porter trash services. City Manager Matt Chesnut said these large-scale trash companies have been hauling their waste to Perry, Kan., where they only charge around \$28 per ton of garbage.

The city hopes that the lower tipping fee will help promote the use of Maryville's waste facility.

"It really would be nice to have all the trash produced in Maryville brought to our transfer station, and our recyclables to our recycling station," Chesnut said.

While there is no word on Williams Services' plans, Porter Services have begun using the local waste plant.

Also concerning waste removal is the Council's approval of an amendment to a city ordinance that mandates a cover and a hoist be used on all pickup trucks for the use of off-load solid waste transfer to the local landfill. This ordinance will be in effect Aug. 1.

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Senator visits to participate in dedication

Sen. Jean Carnahan will be visiting Northwest today to participate in the dedication of the Mel Carnahan Reading Room in the Student Union.

The room honors her husband, the late governor of Missouri. The ceremony will begin at 11 a.m. where Jean Carnahan, President Dean Hubbard and Student Senate President Stacie McLaughlin will speak.

The dedication is open to the public and refreshments will be available.

The senator will also be taking part in a tour and slide presentation of Northwest's Power Plant.

A journey of life, with faith in the lead

The story of Marilyn Healy provides lessons in trials and triumphs

By T. JUSTIN ROSS
CHIEF REPORTER

Anyone who has worked for or attended Northwest will say that it left an impression on them, but every so often someone comes along with such a great personality that they can not help but leave an impression on Northwest.

One such person is Marilyn Healy, and her story is as much a part of Northwest's history as the bell tower.

When Healy was growing up in Lake City, Iowa, she did not know what she wanted to do with her life, and she had no intentions of going to college. However, a good friend of hers wanted to go to Northwest to study art, and she begged Healy to go with her. Finally, her friend's persistence paid off, and in the fall of 1957 Healy enrolled at Northwest with a business education major.

Healy recalled the beauty in the simplicity of a still developing university. At that time, J.W. Jones was the university president, there were not any high-rises, Conference Center or Garret Strong. Even though the finishing touches were being done on Colden Hall, she still took most of her classes in the Administration Building. Wells Hall was the campus library, and the tuition per semester was a mere \$45.

Healy completed two semesters at Northwest, and then decided to take a year off.

After spending a year working at Allied Mutual Phone Company, Healy was anxious to go back to school. She returned to Northwest in the fall of 1960 and instantly made friends with her new roommate, Mary Adams Anderson, a transfer student from the University of Nebraska, Lincoln. The two had fun together, however Anderson missed her old sorority, Phi Mu.

At that time Northwest did not have a Phi Mu chapter, and fueled by stories of Greek life from Anderson, the two set out on a quest to start a chapter of Phi Mu at Northwest. They spent the majority of the semester working toward meeting the requirements for a chapter. And by the end of that semester the two had met all the set criteria to form a colony of Phi Mu, and a chapter the following semester.

Phi Mu became the fourth sorority and the seventh Greek organization at Northwest. During the first two semesters, Healy was elected president.



PHOTO BY S. CHEYENNE SHAFFER/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Marilyn Healy flips through her book *Experiments in Faith*. Healy wrote the book about the different experiences and hardships she has had throughout different stages of her life. While Healy's experiences were real, the names and places in the book were changed.

She feels very strongly about the Greek system.

"I feel like Greek life greatly benefits students," she said. "Without it, I would have missed a lot."

Healy graduated from Northwest in 1963. Although she wanted a teaching job, there were none to be found, so she took a job as a secretary for the Alumni Association, under the direction of Everett W. Brown. Healy said she liked that job, but when her husband was killed in an auto accident, she resigned after working there for only six months.

Widowed, and mother to a son, she returned to Iowa to live with her parents. She soon acquired a home of her own and went back to work, this time teaching high school in the nearby town of Churdan, Iowa. After teaching there for four years, she was introduced to a son of a fellow teacher, with whom she fell in love and married. Her new husband was in the Marines and his service soon stationed himself and Healy in California. After a brief period of time, the couple then moved back to Iowa, where Healy worked as a school secretary, and even sold Avon

products part time.

However, while Healy's work life was satisfactory, even with a new son, her home life was not so fortunate. Fueled by her husband's alcoholic tendencies Healy divorced her husband in 1983.

"It was like living on a teeter-totter," she said. "I had to leave."

With a new lease on life, Healy thought long and hard about what she wanted to do with the rest of it. The one thing that Healy was sure about was that she wanted to move back to Maryville.

"I really love Maryville," she said. "Everyone is so friendly. They make you feel like you belong."

Upon returning to Maryville, Healy took a job as a secretary for the dean of the communication department. She worked at Northwest for a while, and later took a job with Rush Printing.

All her hard work paid off, as Healy soon became financially secure enough to buy her own home on Seventh Street. Healy continued to work for Rush Printing for seven more years until she was diagnosed with Multiple

Sclerosis and became unable to work.

While spending her days resting at home, Healy kept asking God to tell her what to do. One day, a reply came in the form of a letter from a friend, Healy had sent her a Christmas card, and her friend, moved by what Healy wrote, sent a letter back to her insisting that she write a book. Healy agreed, and found the task to be not as hard as she anticipated.

"I was very inspired," she said. "I was given the words and I just put them on the paper."

Her book, *An Experiment in Faith*, discusses widowhood, Christ and love, alcoholism, sexual harassment, divorce and Multiple Sclerosis different stages throughout her life story. Healy renamed all the people and places in her story including Maryville, which she lovingly named Miracle.

While Northwest has only been a portion in Healy's life, her contributions to the University have created countless chapters in the lives of Northwest students.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THURSDAY

■ **Worth County 4-H Council meeting**, 5 p.m., Extension Office Meeting Room, Graht City

FRIDAY

■ **Holt County Achievement Day**, 8 a.m. through 5 p.m., First Christian Church, Mound City

SATURDAY

■ **Girls' Team Basketball Camp**

SUNDAY

■ **Joyful Noise**, 10:30 a.m., First Baptist Church

MONDAY

■ **Cheerleading Camp II**
■ **Clinton County Livestock Show**, Plattsburg
■ **4-H Clover Kids Day Camp**, Maryville

TUESDAY

■ **Cheerleading Camp II**
■ **Tennis Camp**
■ **Clinton County Livestock Show**, Plattsburg
■ **Free Northwest Movie: O Brother Where Art Thou?**, 7 p.m., Mary Linn Performing Arts Center, Rated PG-13

WEDNESDAY

■ **Cheerleading Camp II**
■ **Tennis Camp**
■ **Nodaway County University Outreach and Extension Council meeting**, 7:30 p.m., Courthouse Annex
■ **Andrew County Open 4-H & FFA Livestock Show**

THURSDAY

■ **Cheerleading Camp II**
■ **Tennis Camp**
■ **Andrew County Open 4-H & FFA Livestock Show**
■ **Nodaway county 4-H Council meeting**, 8 p.m., Extension Center, Maryville

PUBLIC SAFETY

June 22

■ Officers received a report of a domestic assault in the 300 block of South Dewey. Upon arrival, Daniel R. Turner, 26, Maryville, was arrested for domestic assault and transported to Nodaway County Sheriff's Office in lieu of bond.

June 24

■ An officer received a report of a fight at the swim beach at Mozingo Lake Park.

Upon arrival, Nathan J. Blane, 25, Shenandoah, Iowa, was issued summonses for disorderly conduct and indecent exposure.

June 26

■ An officer received a report of an animal problem in the 500 block of East Fifth. Mike H. Turner, 29, Maryville, was issued summonses for failure to have animal licensed with the city, failure to have dog vaccinated for rabies, failure to keep dog on a leash, dog at large and dog being a public nuisance.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville business in the 2000 block of South Main that someone had taken hubcaps from a vehicle parked on the property.

■ An officer served a Maryville Municipal warrant on Richard L. Malasa, 21, Maryville, for failure to appear. He was transported to Nodaway County Jail where he is being held in lieu of bond.

June 27

■ Officers received a report from a Maryville female of a domestic disturbance in the 300 block of West Thompson.

■ An officer served a Maryville Municipal warrant on Christopher R. Bougher, 18, Maryville, for failure to appear. He was transported to Nodaway County Sheriff's Office in lieu of bond.

■ Fire units responded to a report of a fire in the 200 block of West Seventh. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

June 28

■ An officer served a Maryville Municipal warrant on Joellen N. Hancock, 22, Maryville, for failure to appear. She was issued a summons for failure to appear and released after posting bond.

■ An officer recovered a Missouri driver's license in the 100 block of West Fourth.

■ Sandra S. Mull, Maryville, was stopped in traffic at the stop light. Justin Metcalf, 18, Skidmore, was attempting to stop for the traffic signal, when he struck Mull. Metcalf was issued a summons for careless and imprudent driving.

July 1

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville female that her son had been assaulted in the 1100 block of South Laura. Douglas V. Peve, 33, Maryville, was issued a summons for assault.

July 2

■ An officer received a report of animal neglect at the swim beach at Mozingo Lake Park. Upon arrival, Verva J. Thayer, 19, Fairfax, and Scott P. Lance, 16, Graham, were issued summonses for minor in possession.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville male that someone had damaged the rear window in his vehicle while it was parked in the 800 block of North Fillmore.

■ An officer received a report of a sign being knocked down at Mozingo Lake Park.

Slide on down



PHOTO BY MARJIE KOSMAN/EDITOR IN CHIEF
Ethan Schauer, 17 months, goes down the slide at Sisson-Eek Park with the help of his dad, Ken Schauer. The pair took advantage of the warm weather Monday.

■ A Maryville male reported that someone had damaged the door handle to his vehicle.

July 3

■ A Maryville male reported that he was being harassed by another male individual. David R. Florea, 43, Hopkins, was issued a summons for disorderly conduct.

DEATHS

Barbara Jean Reed Brunk

Barbara Jean Reed Brunk, 68, Denison, Texas, died June 27 at Texoma Medical Center in Denison, Texas.

She was born March 19, 1933, to Harlan and Iva Reed in Quitman.

She is survived by two daughters, Beverly Isom and Patty Ozona; two sons, Jerry and Eddie Brunk; one

brother, Dallas Dragoo and 11 grandchildren.

Services were held July 2 at Price Funeral Home in Maryville.

Mary Wray Kurtz

Mary Virginia Wray Kurtz, 93, Kansas City, died July 1 at her home. She was born Feb. 14, 1908, in Maryville to John Carl Wray and Rachel Ellen Whiteford.

She is survived by a daughter, Mary Jane Judge; a son, John Wray Kurtz; a granddaughter, Jennifer Gour; a grandson, Thomas Judge and two great-grandchildren, Cherelle and Sean Gour.

Visitation will be 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m., today at the Guilford Methodist Church. The funeral service will be take place after the visitation.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be given to the Guilford Methodist Church.

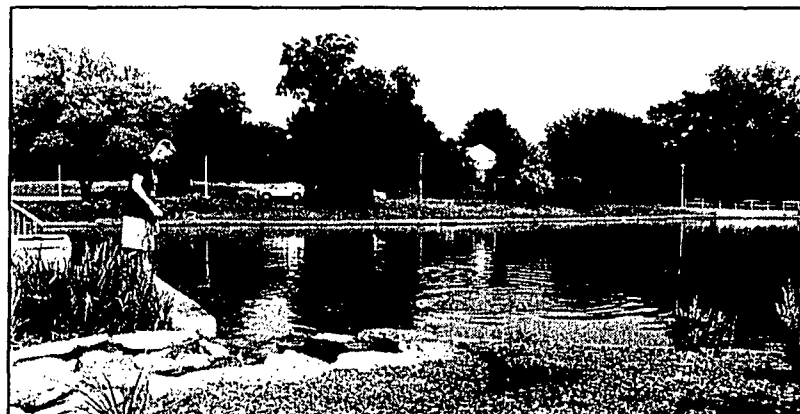


PHOTO BY TRISHA THOMPSON/MANAGING EDITOR
Kyle Puckett, 12, takes time out of his day to do a little fishing. Puckett caught a large-mouth bass at Colden Pond last week while fishing with his friend Ben Albee.

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OUR VIEW

Name Change

One of the nation's 50 states is looking for a new distinction, an opportunity to be in the spotlight

Say it isn't so. It was always such a good little state. Never in any trouble, always doing as it was told. And now, like an unruly teenager, North Dakota is stirring up the waters of controversy.

Exactly when this thought of rebellion occurred is unclear. Nobody saw it coming. In its one act of grandeur, North Dakota wants to be known simply as Dakota.

Who do these North Dakotans think they are? Cher? Prince? Madonna? Ridiculous? This is the United States of America, not MTV.

The Greater North Dakota Association thought up this preposterous name change in an attempt to fool people into believing that without the 'North,' the state would also be without the typical harsh winter weather image.

What a novel idea. Change the name and change the climate. Maybe these North Dakota folk are on to something. So why not go ahead and change the name to something like Malibu Dakota or Dakota Paradise?

Oh wait, common sense would like to say a word. Evidently climate is not that easily changed. Maybe the people of South Dakota can break it to their other half that the name plan isn't going to work.

Apparently North Dakota was feeling a little bit neglected. Maybe it felt that a few of its fellow states had been taking all the limelight for too long. North Dakota did not get any rolling blackouts, presidential voting chaos or probably even mentioned in the national news since its joining of the Union.

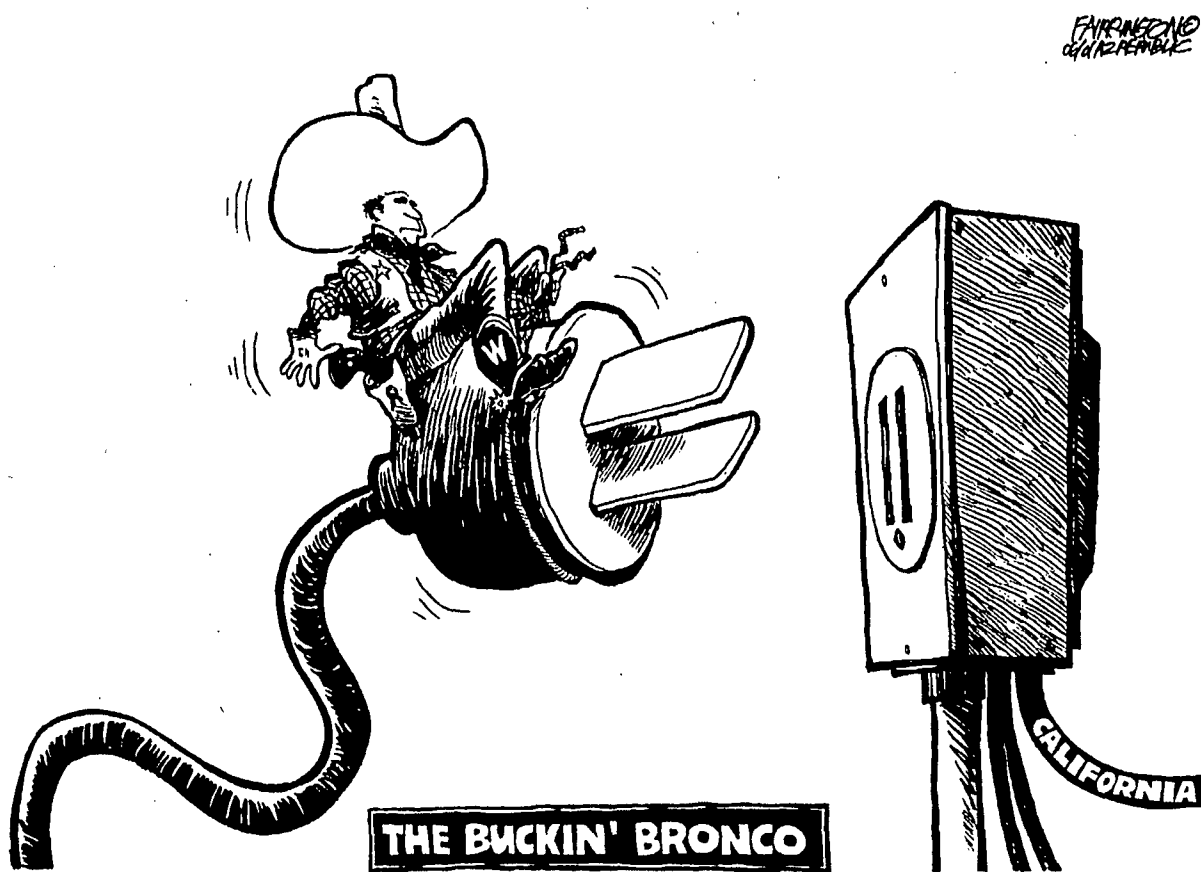
What North Dakota needs to do is take pride in its almost inhabitable winter weather. It can market its roomy interior. Cash in on its isolation.

In fact, if North Dakota hurries they could probably schedule the next Survivor there. Now that would be a show to watch: "Tune in next week to see if the cast of Survivor finds their white rice in the Dakota blizzard." That'll be a heart-stopper.

Probably this is just a phase North Dakota is going through. Just a little mid-continent crisis.

Don't fret South Dakota, the hubbub will simmer down. Just as soon as the first blizzard comes and buries your neighbors to the north back under.

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MY VIEW

College independence, being alone are not the same



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Independence for a college student has a lot of meanings. Some consider it as not being involved in a fraternity or sorority. Others consider it as paying for college themselves. Then some claim just being away from home is independent enough.

The independence I am referring to means trying to do everything yourself. I think I try to do this too often. The explanation could be that there is too much emphasis on college students making it on their own.

People should never have to rely solely on themselves. I have yet to see a job that requires a one-person work force. Personally, I could never make it in the world relying on myself. I use my friends, family and teachers' support everyday. I don't think it is stressed enough that college students should ask for help.

I have had a few teachers who seem sincere when they say to call anytime with a problem. Others teach believing that personal life should not interfere or have a direct connection to school life. Personal life has everything to do with how well you perform in the outside world. College students need the assurance that even though they may not have mom and dad around, there can be answers to life's hardships.

I feel that something should be started at home and in high schools that teach teens about life management. Let them know how to handle situations they may face in

college and the real world.

I have seen some of my best friends become pregnant, fall into depression or become ruined from the death of a friend or family member. Too many times, I think these people feel they are alone and have to make it independently.

I feel that parents and schools focus on drilling ideas of saying no to drugs and drinking so much that they forget there are other problems in the world that teens and young adults face daily.

These problems can't be faced alone. Life should not be lived with a feeling of such independence that it becomes the feeling of being alone.

I have learned that your best friends are found in college. They are the ones who make sure you are happy and always are dependable. I have learned that there are people in this world who will help even if they don't know you.

I am only glad that I have learned a couple of these saving tips early enough to help my younger siblings and friends. I having the feeling of independence, but I love knowing I don't always have to do things by myself.

I just hope that people will understand accomplishing goals yourself is great, but don't shut out those who back you up. In the future, they may just be what save you.

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YOUR VIEW

What is your opinion on the placement of tobacco ads near schools?



"I think that's awful. The worst part is they need these young kids to start smoking to replace the people that die. That's horrible that they go for the younger generation."

Sharon Neustadter
Maryville resident



"I don't think it's a very healthy idea. I am a smoker and I am trying to quit. I don't want kids to start. It's a dirty, filthy, disgusting habit."

Maria Manship
Guilford resident



"I don't think it matters where advertising is. Kids are going to smoke if they want to."

Dennis James
Maryville resident



"Kids shouldn't smoke when they're younger. I think it's a bad idea."

Gina Law
Graham resident



"Smoking is a fact of our society and children will see ads whether they're near a school or not. It's a parent's responsibility to inform their kids about the dangers of smoking."

Janis Evans
Elementary education major

Reporter addresses the danger of wild animals



JANA HANSON
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

When I think of Maryville, I think of a nice, safe community where I may want to raise my children someday. I have always liked Maryville and felt that I could live here with virtually no worries. That was until I began hearing disturbing stories about community members having encounters with mountain lions. Yes, that's right, mountain lions, just like the ones you see at the zoo.

My first reaction to these stories was how did mountain lions get to our area? And are these animals that people have supposedly seen really mountain lions?

The stories have derived from community members of the Bilby Lake and Mazingo Lake areas. I found it hard to believe, but little did I know the stories were true. The question is how did these animals get here? Besides, these animals are called mountain lions, we have no mountains in this area, so why are they here?

In my mind this is a very serious issue, Mazingo is full of campers all summer long, campers don't come to this area prepared to fight off a wild animal, most of them probably have no clue a vicious mountain lion could be lurking only feet away. The idea that there are mountain lions in this area is scary enough, but what is scarier is the number of people who don't know this type of animal is out there.

My husband and I live in the country about 10 miles from Bilby Lake and farmers in the area have spotted a mountain lion on one of our family's cattle farms in the early morning. Needless to say I will not be walking through any timbers in my area alone or without a gun. Even though you are not to shoot the mountain lions if you see them, only if they are causing you harm, which if one is causing you harm, you could be seriously injured.

I have watched documentaries on television telling how mountain lions don't commonly go after humans, but they have been known to attack or even kill humans. One documentary I viewed talked about how overpopulated areas in California were and it is not uncommon to see mountain lions in urbanized areas and family pets have been eaten.

This to me is a nightmare just waiting to happen in our area if it hasn't already. My husband and I raise Labrador retrievers, which are hunting dogs. I hope that when my husband and our dogs are out hunting, they never cross the path of one of these cats. I realize that the area around Maryville is still spacious enough for the mountain lions to have their space and for us to have ours, but what happens when the paths finally cross?

People need to realize if they do spot a mountain lion or any animal that appears to be unfamiliar for this area, they should report it to the conservation society as soon as possible.

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Maryville welcomes new store

By APRIL WARNEMUNDE
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

After years of proclaiming themselves professional shoppers, Dana Schmidt and Janet Henry have opened their own store to provide a new kind of shopping to Maryville.

Schmidt and Henry visited several shops, and researched their market. They talked to other store owners and combined ideas to make a store affordable and creative for Maryville.

The Muddy Creek opened June 28, located at Fourth and Main. It offers a wide variety of candles, greenery, lace, pictures and one-of-a-kind gifts that would not be found in a chain gift store.

"I like to shop and know women like to shop and Maryville needs a store like this," Schmidt said.

The Muddy Creek owners are relieved by the amount of support they have received from Maryville. They appreciate any input from customers about the type of merchandise they would like to see being sold.

They have acted upon the requests of customers and prepared a "wish list." It enables customers to write down anything that they would like to see on the shelves, and it allows The Muddy Creek to provide the best customer satisfaction.

The wish list also enables family and friends to see what another person may want for a gift. This can cut down on shopping time and make customers know the perfect gift. The owners believe it will be great for husbands who do not know what their wives really like.

"We invite anyone to come in, and if we don't have it, just ask," said Schmidt and Henry.

Gift items can be packaged free of charge, and future plans have already been pending for decoration



PHOTO BY S. CHEYENNE SHAFFER/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Kim Thompson smells the different Keepers of the Light candles offered at the new Muddy Creek store. The store offers candles, prints, crafts, wood products and more.

consulting. The store would like to see future projects develop where they paint or sponge decorate rooms to a customer's desire.

The Muddy Creek will also offer colors that associate them with the community. They will offer green and white candles and merchandise that symbolize the Northwest Bearcat and Maryville Spoofhounds.

They believe that by not being part of a chain, they are able to have

any kind of outlook they want, and offer a wider variety to the community.

"We can do what we want, and the response from Maryville has been tremendous," said Henry.

The Muddy Creek is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays and will be closed Sundays and Mondays

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New gas station offers local service, caters to students

By BRADLEY NANNEMAN
CHIEF REPORTER

Maryville will see a big green dinosaur in the future, because new Sinclair gas station is under construction.

The new convenience store/gas station called Bearcat Express will be opening at 221 West Fourth St., where ASAP used to be.

Mark Younger is the owner of the new store. He said that many plans for the establishment are underway. Younger wants the new store up to specs with modern day convenience stores.

"We had a total remake of the store, everything needed redone," Younger said.

New floors, a new air conditioning system, new lighting and a new cooler system are some of the im-

provements to the existing building.

Younger is in the process of building a 60-foot addition to the building. He plans for the addition to be occupied by an eating establishment.

"We have several interests of small business eateries," Younger said. "We are reviewing which will fit the community."

Construction is currently underway for a fully automatic car wash.

Younger sees his new store as beneficial for students.

"We are flexible. We want to cater to the college kids," he said.

Younger is currently working with the University to allow students to use their Aladine cards in the new store.

"We have got local managers,"

Younger said. "Hopefully Northwest students will feel more at home."

When asked what inspired him to open the new store, Younger replied, "I thought there was an opportunity to expand my interests and seeing that there was this part of town that was fun when I was younger-no pun intended. Everyone who ran it before was not from this town. I decided to bring in hometown service."

Younger hopes to open the new Sinclair station in a few weeks, in time for the fair. He plans to have the additions to the store open by the later part of August.

Younger says he is planning store hours to be from 7 a.m. to 2 a.m.

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Program attempts to curb underage drinking

By KIMBERLY ERNST
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

The SafeHomes program offers an opportunity for parents to join together to help provide a safer environment for their children.

Assets in Motion (AIM) sponsor the program. AIM encourages all people to take action in their everyday lives to show kids they care. This, in turn, builds assets to decrease high-risk behavior, such as underage alcohol use. In their first year, the SafeHomes program pledged 180 families.

According to Elizabeth Sharp, special project coordinator at Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Governments, said that in order to participate in this program, parents must first read and sign a pledge.

There are two different pledges for parents with children of different ages. There are pledges for parents of secondary school students and for parents of elementary school students.

Some of the pledges for students in secondary school include "I will not allow parties or gatherings in my home when I am not there" and "I wish for communication with any parent who personally observes my child using alcohol or other drugs."

Pledges for parents with students in elementary school include "I will provide adult supervision of all children visiting my home" and "I will provide a secure

storage place for all forms of alcohol, firearms and other potentially hazardous items."

Sharp hopes that people will take this program seriously.

"We want to encourage support among parents for similar community values and discourage underage drinking," Sharp said.

The main focus of this program is underage drinking. Sharp knows the program cannot stop all kids from drinking.

However, the program has three objectives. The first is to provide a safe social environment for teens in their own homes. Second, send a clear, unambiguous message to children and all teens that parents care enough for their safety to risk their displeasure to protect them. Also, to inform other parents that if their children come to a SafeHome participants' home, they will be supervised and alcohol and other drugs will not be tolerated.

"We want to educate the community and provide boundaries and expectations that are communicated by the community," Sharp said.

For more information on this program, contact Elizabeth Sharp at the Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Governments at (660) 582-5121.

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PHOTO BY S. CHEYENNE SHAFFER/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Mandy Decker gives instructions to Tyler Haddock, 7, during swimming lessons at the Maryville Aquatic Center. Swimming lessons are just one way kids can stay busy.

Summer recreational activities beneficial for children

By VICTORIA HUFF
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

Maryville Parks and Recreation are combating the problem of a "boring summer" with the many activities they sponsor this season.

Park and Recreation has the information for many camps that all ages can participate in this summer.

"We provide a lot of recreational activities in the summer because it's healthy and keeps kids out of trouble," said Dan Edmonds, president of the Maryville Park and Recreation Board.

Children from Maryville and other areas join in summer programs.

"We have approximately 1,000 participants in youth programs in the summer, and not everyone is from Maryville," said Rod Auxier, di-

rector of Parks and Recreation. "Four hundred fifteen participants in youth baseball, 325 in youth basketball, and the rest are involved in swim lessons."

Many activities like the Nodaway County Fair Days 5K Run/Walk, Maryville AYSO Soccer, Dre'Bly Football Camp, Youth Softball/Baseball, Sizzlin' Hoops, Adult Softball, water aerobics, sand volleyball and coed softball are some of the planned sports for children in July.

"Sizzlin' Hoops is the newest program," Auxier said. "It's four years old, and always has a good turn out."

Parks and Recreation is not the only organization to plan summer activities, churches are also heavily involved.

"My 12-year-old plays basketball

with the Parks and Rec's Sizzlin' Hoops," said Shelly Veer, Maryville mother of three. "My 10-year-old is in church camp and my youngest just got back from church camp. My youngest is practicing to be in a play for Maryville Community Theater."

It is important for children to join recreational programs in the summer.

"It helps them to keep up relationships with their friends," Veer said. "Social interaction, I don't want them to be bored."

Maryville children can also do many things that do not involve planned activities.

City parks, open gym, Maryville Aquatic Center, Mozingo Lake recreation equipment and the American Red Cross swim lessons are some other individual activities children can do in the summer.

"They go to the pool all the time and they try to hit some of the summer movies at the Hangar," Veer said.

The Hangar offers a different children's movie every week this summer. The movies show at 1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and admission is \$1.50.

The Parks and Recreation office also has discounted tickets to amusement parks like Worlds and Oceans of Fun, Silver Dollar City and Six Flags.

The recreation events do not stop with the change of seasons. The local Parks and Recreation office also has tentative fall program schedules that are available to the public.

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Construction continues on Phi Sig house

By JANA HANSON
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Northwest Bearcats have just scored another touchdown at Rickenbrode Stadium; the crowd is cheering, seconds later the excitement is overcome by a thunderous BOOM! Fans turn their attention to the south to see the Phi Sigma Kappa's have once again shot off their cannon to express their school spirit.

This year when fans hear the Phi Sigma Kappa cannon, they will be seeing a new house on its way to completion. The fraternity broke ground on the house in early April, with hopes of moving in the beginning of second semester.

Phi Sigma Kappa alumni are funding the house, and members of Phi Sigma Kappa are continuously generating money for expenses through fundraisers. The original loan for the house was \$600,000, though the men of Phi Sigma Kappa have cut corners financially any way they can.

"We have had great support from our alumni, we have saved a ton of money," Greg Olenius, Phi Sigma Kappa alumni, said.

Olenius and Mark Burnside, also a Phi Sigma Kappa alumni, have been the main contractors of the house.

"It's kind of funny, Mark and I worked on a homecoming float together back in the '70s and now we're building a house together," Olenius said.

The new house will have a fresh, new look. The exterior will be brick with Bearcat green shutters and beige trim. The interior will have 13-foot by 16-foot bedrooms and a massive staircase. The deck will extend the length of the east side of the house with an overall view of Rickenbrode Stadium.

"Whoever gets the bedrooms in the northeast corner of the house will be in heaven," Olenius said.

Olenius and Burnside have put in 80 to 90 percent of their time on the house and once the brickwork starts, Olenius will be putting in 100 percent of his time.

Though the tearing down of the original house was a sentimental occasion, the excitement of the new house fills the air. Olenius said that it was hard to see the old house being torn down.



PHOTO BY S. CHEYENNE SHAFFER/ PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
A worker covers the Phi Sig house with pink wrap. The house will be completed at the beginning of Spring semester.

The Phi Sigma Kappa's have a Web site that shows a video of old pledge classes from the last 25 years at the original house, the tearing down of the original house and the constructing of the new house.

Phi Sigma Kappa Vice President Nathan Leopard said some people were emotional about the old house being torn down.

"No fraternity house at Northwest has had the history that our original house did," Leopard said. "I cherish the fact that I got to live there."

The Phi Sigma Kappa's bought the original house in the 1950s; it was not originally a fraternity house.

"We had an old house, a great one, but we need a new place," Leopard said. "It's sad to think the old house is gone, but we've gotta tear down old walls to build new opportunities."

The fraternity wants to do something commemorative with some of the ruins of the old house. The possibility of using the bricks from the original house to make a barbecue pit has been discussed, or possibly using the floorboards to make plaques with pictures of the old house has been proposed.

The house is not to be completed for the fall semester; however, the University has provided dorm space for fraternity members until the house is done.



PHOTO BY S. CHEYENNE SHAFFER/ PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Theo Ross wishes Pat VanDyke well at her retirement reception June 26. She is retiring from Northwest after 33 years.

plenty of online and technological resources at Owens. She said it was great that the University provides computers to its students in their dorm rooms.

VanDyke has been a long-time Bearcat fan. She said that she enjoys regularly attending various Northwest sports events. She talked of how she had seen the teams improve throughout the years. "It's great to go from not winning to winning," VanDyke said. "I really enjoy sports here at Northwest."

VanDyke said what she would miss most of all is the intelligence, excitement and closeness of people who value hard work.

When asked for words of wisdom, VanDyke said, "It's easy to offer words of wisdom when you are doing what you always wanted to do." She offered this advice: "Do what your heart loves and your mind can do."

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Offices moving locations in Union

By APRIL WARNEMUNDE
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Student Union offices are moving to accommodate to the needs of certain requests. The move enables offices with many tasks to be more precise, and aid students in a more organized fashion.

Many organizations have worked together this summer to devise a plan that will accommodate all affected departments. Some of those organizations are the Alliance of Black Collegians, International Student Organization, Peer Education and Campus Activities and Greek Affairs.

Brian Vanosadale, head of Campus Activities and Greek Affairs

said, "I think it will give better service for students, but for myself makes my job easier."

Vanosadale believes that the offices in the Union are accommodating, but with an organization so busy with Greek systems and all student activities there just needs to be more area to work with.

"We just need places to spread things out," Brian said.

The Campus Activities and Greek Affairs department will move to the Student Leadership International and Cultural Center.

The ABC and ISO are also moving there. They will be given their own windowed offices. There will now be two administrations in the

Intercultural Center allowing for more organization.

Carol Cowles, assistant vice president of Student Affairs, said the move would benefit the Peer Education Center as well. It has been moved to the Student Affairs Office.

"Peer education in students is to assist them in developing more effectively," Cowles said.

Cowles believes that the move will help improve the school, and the accommodations to students. There will be a posting of a complete list of what offices are being moved and where to.

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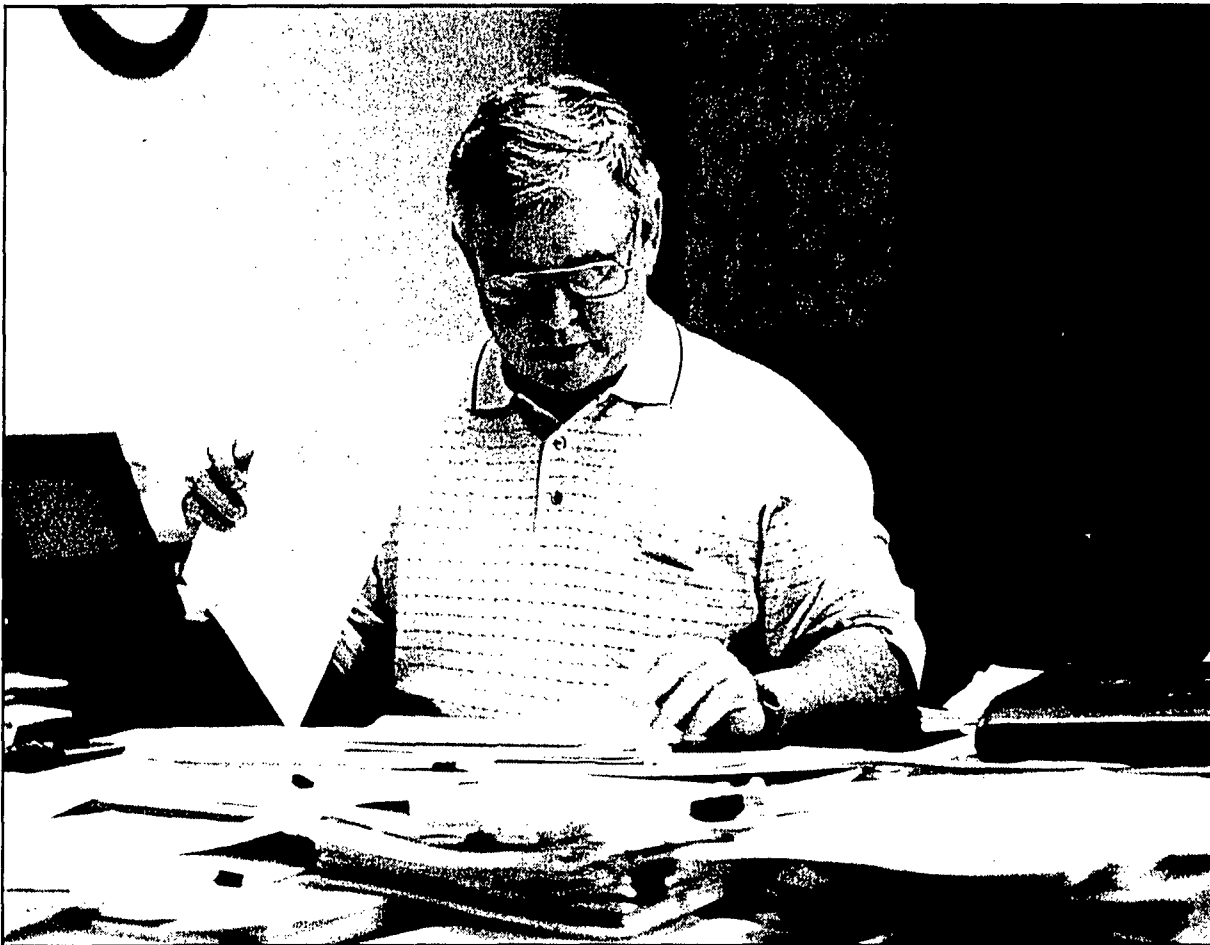


PHOTO BY MATTHEW POWELL/ CONTRIBUTING PHOTOGRAPHER
Roger Pugh, dean of enrollment, finished up some last minute work before heading to California at the end of July. He accepted a job as assistant vice president of enrollment management at California State University after seven years at Northwest.

Dean of enrollment leaving for job at California school

By JANA HANSON
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Northwest Dean of Enrollment Roger Pugh has accepted the position of assistant vice president of enrollment management at California State University- Stanislaus. Pugh's new position will be regulating admissions, financial aid and registration.

Pugh has been with Northwest for seven years and said he feels it is time to move on to accept new challenges, though he admitted he will miss Northwest.

"There are really good people here, the students are upbeat and positive," Pugh said. "I've had a good seven years and I've had a good staff, I'll miss them the most."

Pugh has been responsible for orientation, admissions, financial aid, registration, career services and freshman seminar in his history at Northwest. He gives credit to his staff for helping him make these responsibilities maintainable.

The University has not found a replacement for Pugh at this time. Beverly Schenkel, assistant director

of admissions, will take over Pugh's responsibilities until a replacement is found.

"This is a very good place, with a supportive staff," Pugh said. "This is a good operation that has allowed me to grow, enhancing my professionalism. I have been more involved on a national level that I ever thought I'd be in this position."

Schenkel said she is excited about her new responsibilities and feels confident leaving Sandy Cox with some of her responsibilities. Schenkel feels that in Pugh's time at Northwest his main goal has been to provide students with services to enhance their Northwest experience.

"He's a strong leader in enrollment management," Schenkel said. "At the state or national level he is always in the forefront asking questions and accepting new challenges. I will miss his commitment."

Director of Financial Aid Del Morley came to Northwest the same year as Pugh and since that time they have worked together on the scholarship and financial aid pro-

gram.

"Roger Pugh is extremely hard working, he's intelligent and a forward thinker," Morley said. "He has been a good person to work for. He's always accessible to bounce ideas back and forth. People aren't going to know how involved Roger has been. People are going to look back and say, 'Wow, he did a lot!'"

Director of Career Services Joan Ensminger was on the search committee when Pugh was hired. Ensminger has been a director under Pugh for the past four years.

"He is the type of man who has the ability to see the big picture," Ensminger said. "That is the key element for someone in his position."

Many of the staff members who have worked for Pugh said he cared for his workers and that his dedication to Northwest will be hard to replace.

Pugh will be leaving Northwest July 20 and will begin his new position Aug. 1.

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Reception honors faculty member

By BRADLEY NANNEMAN
CHIEF REPORTER

Northwest's Dean of Libraries has finished another chapter in her life.

A celebration was held at the Alumni House the afternoon of June 26 in honor of Pat VanDyke's retirement. Joined by family, friends and colleagues, VanDyke celebrated nearly 33 years of service to Northwest.

VanDyke was born in Iowa and moved to Illinois, where she completed high school. She attended the University of Wisconsin and came to Northwest in Fall 1969.

VanDyke started her career as an English instructor. Later, she was given the distinction of full professor. She held the position of Assistant Vice President of Academic Affairs as well.

VanDyke is responsible for starting several programs on campus, including the Talent Development Center. She also took part in organizing the freshman seminar course.

As dean of libraries, VanDyke had many duties and responsibilities. She said that she had felt it is important that Owens Library focus on its patrons.

"My primary duty was to make sure Owens Library paid attention to what the University and students need," she said.

The position made her the liaison between the library and the rest of campus.

VanDyke said that she has seen many changes take place at Northwest.

"The arboretum is a marvelous change," she said. "There are physical changes. We really took advantage of natural beauty."

"The campus is constantly improving. I love to walk through and drive there."

VanDyke said she also appreciates the constant technological and architectural changes occurring throughout campus.

She was responsible for making sure students had

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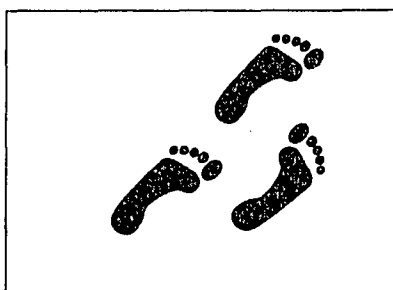
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Your Man has fun in sun

Your Man is a total loser. My summer break has consisted of 15 hours worth of classes, two on-campus jobs, one off-campus job and this job, as Your Man. I'm not really soaking up the rays, if you know what I mean.

I have had the opportunity to see the sun twice this summer. I spent one of my days in the sun at the Maryville Aquatic Center, the "MAC," as the Townies call it, and the other day at the Mozingo beach, the cesspool as I call it.

My first visit to the MAC was just great!!! I paid \$3.50 to get in, and then little devils inside the place splashed me with water while I laid out. It was just splendid! I would have rather been farting in the bathtub. And, the worst part about the place was the nazi lifeguards with whistles. Frankly, these individuals scared me. I witnessed



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one nazi-guard tell a little boy that if he didn't quit splashing water, she would throw him into the deep end without his little floaty blowup wings on. Now, I have heard they go through lifeguard boot camp at the MAC, but come on, the kid was just playing in the fountain. So, that was my first and last time at the MAC.

It was thanks to the lifeguard-nazi that I spent my next sunshine experience at Mozingo beach. Although I didn't have to pay to get in, and nobody yelled at me, I will never go back. That place is a complete dump. Something about having to push moss and seaweed away from me as I swim just isn't too appealing. The actual beach was comparable to a parking lot with dirt thrown down on top, not really paradise by any means. Considering the fact that I would rather swim in my toilet, I have been thinking about where I can go next. I hear the 102 River is kind of nice. You've heard of swimming with the dolphins? Well, come with me, we'll swim with the catfish.

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.

Entertainment Reviews

Tool offers balanced, unique sound in new album

By BRADLEY NANNEMAN
CHIEF REPORTER

I have owned a copy of Tool's *Lateralus* for more than a month. I have been listening to it on a regular basis and the album is growing on me with every listen.

Lateralus is the fourth release for the California-based band on the Volcano Entertainment label. The band seems to still have the ability to come up with new material. I would be a liar if I labeled Tool with the cliché, "all their songs sound the same." Each song is unique.

I can describe *Lateralus* as Pink Floyd meets a metal symphony. Each song seems to paint a pic-

ture of structure. Most of the songs start with a simple idea and the music seems to move and build with every measure until reaching a climax of bass, guitar and drum collaboration. Then, the music tapers off, leaving a post-thunderstorm calm in the air.

The use of conga drums and other ethnic instruments not usually associated with rock music, give the album an almost mystical feel. Lead vocalist, Maynard James Keenan, seems to blend his voice with the music as if it too were an instrument.

Tool makes better use of vocal harmony than can be said for its previous three albums. The album

sounds very balanced. From the long-lasting scream by Keenan on the very first track of the album to melodic harmonies elsewhere, the vocals give the album a diverse vocal quality.

If you have heard anything from the new album at all on the radio it would likely be the album's fifth track, *Schism*. Though it is a great song, don't be fooled into thinking the whole album sounds the same.

Check it out for yourself. The album will appeal to long-time and new Tool fans alike. At nearly 79 minutes in total time, the album has a little something for everyone.

Spielberg's 'A.I.' a near-masterpiece

By JOSEPH S. PETE
INDIANA DAILY STUDENT (INDIANA U.)

(U-WIRE) - "A.I.: Artificial Intelligence" staggers the imagination. It prods the viewer to consider the big questions of human nature and mortality. It possesses a sweeping vision and a provocative intelligence.

It's certainly a flawed film, if only because its reach exceeds its grasp. "A.I." is a transcendent triumph of originality.

The seeds for "A.I." were sown decades ago when the late director Stanley Kubrick came across Brian Aldiss' plaintive short story "Super-Toys Last All Summer Long." He developed the material for a cinematic adaptation but lacked the technology to steer his vision onto the silver screen.

It wasn't until he saw Steven Spielberg's "Jurassic Park" in 1993 that he realized the film might be possible. Before he died, he passed the project onto Spielberg, suggesting that it was closer to his sensibilities.

Stylistically and philosophically, they seem like an odd couple. Kubrick's work is cold and analytical, often misanthropic.

By contrast, Spielberg is known for being warm and gooey, a master of emotional manipulation.

Kubrick made icy films perfectly composed from highly literate screenplays, whereas Spielberg pictures have always been big and affirmative.

Remarkably though, Spielberg agrees closely to what one can only assume Kubrick intended. Nearly every frame of the film pays homage to the late master — he recreates Kubrick's detached style with every perfectly enunciated syllable and every glossy surface.

"A.I." is set in a future in which the greenhouse effect has sunnanned millions to death and left coastal cities submerged in the ocean. To conserve the finite resources available, humans have to rely on robots or "mechas" to provide for many of their daily needs.

The government has also implemented a system of population control which bans breeding without permission. Professor Hobby (William Hurt) sees a market opportunity — robot children capable of unending love for their parents.

Within two years, he's produced a prototype. He selects a family in the company to test the model. Grieving over a terminally ill son in cryogenic slumber, Monica (Frances O'Connor) immediately takes kindly to David (Haley Joel Osment) despite his awkward mannerisms and artificial complements.

Soon, Monica decides to imprint herself on him — meaning that he'll be unendingly affectionate toward her. He soon develops a creepy stalker-like obsession.

Still, one can't help but to be sympathetic toward David — his feeling is genuine but he lacks the frame of reference to express it in a normal

way. His love for Monica — whom he refers to as Mommy in one of the more heart-wrenching scenes — presents the film's central philosophical thrust. David thinks he loves her and acts as if he loves her — so does it matter if that's just his programming?

Aren't we all programmed in such a way by biological imperatives? Isn't coupling at bottom just a means to perpetuate our genetic code? Isn't filial affection just a means to preserve our offspring?

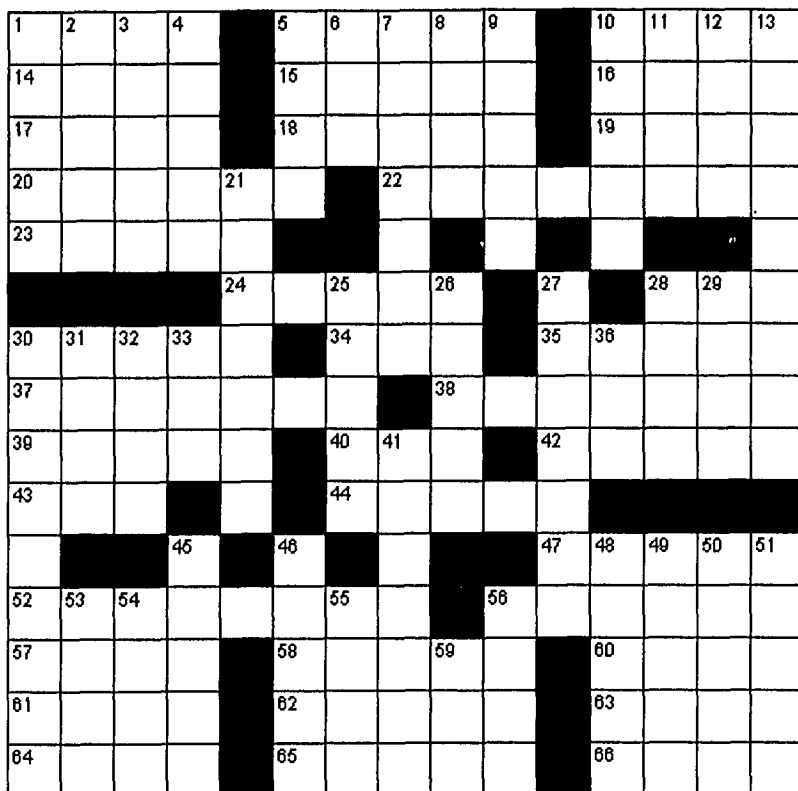
Isn't "love" simply hard-wired to our subconscious mind?

One can see why Kubrick was initially attracted to the material — to some extent, the film's biggest irony is that machines are more human than their organic counterparts. But like any great work of art in any medium, "A.I." doesn't simply make a point. On the contrary, it inspires thought and debate.

Of course, it's not a masterpiece. Succumbing to his sentimental nature, Spielberg simply grafts a happy ending onto the work, detracting from the pathos of the story. Judging from the special effects, it's safe to assume that he had run out of money at that point.

It's unfortunate he didn't put more thought into the editing process — barring a few heavy-handed moments, "A.I." ascends to high art.

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6. French friend
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8. Come on
9. Garden flower
10. Electric discharge
11. Sprite
12. Small guitars
13. Goatfish
21. Implemented
25. Molars
26. Leers
27. Decipher
28. Vigor
29. Periods
30. A seizure
31. Breezy
32. Soft cheese
33. Long-sleeved linen vestment
36. 17th letter of the Greek alphabet
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45. Topic
46. Bleated
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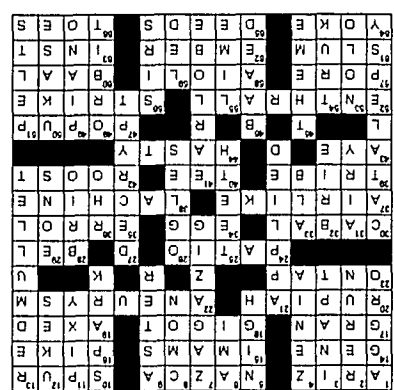
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15. Prayer leaders
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17. Female relative
18. Leg of lamb
19. Cut
20. Monetary unit of Indonesia
22. Arterial dilatation
23. Readily available
24. Courtyard
28. Ten decibels
30. Clique
34. Ovum
35. Actor Flynn
37. Aciform
38. Quebec city
39. Clan
40. Golfers mound

Down

1. Trouble (Brit)
2. Do again
3. Not apt
4. Hospitable Greek female
5. Near
42. Perch
43. Affirmative vote
44. Hurried
47. Appear suddenly
52. Spellbind
56. Hit
57. Ponder intently
58. Garlic-flavored mayonnaise
60. False god
61. Run-down part of a city
62. Cinder
63. In or of the present month
64. Symbol of slavery
65. Documents
66. Digits

ANSWERS



Concert Calendar

KANSAS CITY AREA

- 7/5 Aaron Carter
Memorial Hall
Everclear
Uptown Theatre
- 7/6 Vertical Horizon
Beaumont Club
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- 7/6 Widespread Panic
Sandstone Amphitheatre
Bonner Springs, Kan.
- 7/6 The String Cheese Incident
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- 7/9 "Extreme Steel Tour"
Kansas City Aud. Arena
- 7/10 *NSYNC
Arrowhead Stadium
- 7/10 "Vans Warped Tour '01"
Sandstone Amphitheatre
Bonner Springs, Kan.
- 7/11 Sons of the Desert
Beaumont Club
- 7/11 Willie Nelson
Sandstone Amphitheatre
Bonner Springs, Kan.
- 7/11 Dave Coulier
Stanford and Sons Comedy
- 7/12 Audio Adrenaline
Adams Mark Hotel
- 7/13 blink-182
Sandstone Amphitheatre
Bonner Springs, Kan.
- 7/14 Janet Jackson
Kemper Arena

- 7/15 "Brooks & Dunn's The Neon Circus & Wild West Show"
Sandstone Amphitheatre
Bonner Springs, Kan.
- 7/16 Rod Stewart
Sandstone Amphitheatre
Bonner Springs, Kan.
- 7/18 Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers
Sandstone Amphitheatre
Bonner Springs, Kan.
- 7/20 Chely Wright
Lakefest
- 7/21 Aerosmith
Sandstone Amphitheatre
Bonner Springs, Kan.
- 7/25 Reggae Cowboys
Grand Emporium
- 7/26 Goldfinger/ Reel Big Fish
Uptown Theatre
- 7/26 The Warren Brothers
Beaumont Club
- 7/27 Little River Band
Wyandotte County Fair
- 7/28 Tanya Tucker
Ameristar Hotel & Casino
- 7/28 Shawn Colvin
Madrid Theatre
- 7/28 Journey
Sandstone Amphitheatre
Bonner Springs, Kan.
- 7/28 Eric Clapton
Kemper Arena
- 7/30 True Vibe
Wyandotte County Fair
grounds

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- 7/11 The Nadas
People's
Ames
- 7/13 Charlie Daniels Band
Lakeside Casino
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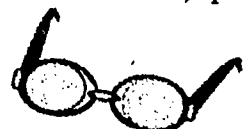
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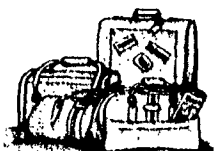
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Lakers' star player "largely" overrated



SCOTT PHILLIPS
SPORTS EDITOR

Well, basketball season is over and the Los Angeles Lakers have another championship under their belt. Whoop-di-do.

I'll tell you what I want to do. I want to travel to some third world country, to some remote village somewhere in the world where a mammoth eight-foot beast lures.

This eight-foot beast hunts all the animals for the village with his own bare hands, which has given him the quickest agility and stamina in the country.

All the other villagers live in a state of awe over this creature and think of him as some sort of god because he is the only one that can kill a tiger with his bare hands.

I severely want to find this man. The NBA needs this man. Right now, I petition David Stern to find this man and bring him to the NBA so maybe Shaq's bubble can get popped.

Really, how does Shaq feel confident in his basketball abilities? How can he call himself the best in the game right now? Those of you who watch him know he has no skill, he's just big. It's like the Power-Puff Girls started a league and invited the Grape Ape to play center for them.

I can't believe Shaq can walk off the court after a game and still talk the trash he does. Guess what bucko, if I was 7-1 and 315 pounds, I could score 40 plus points a game by dunking over people that were smaller than me. I could probably better his barely 50 percent free throw percentage too. For those of you who don't know, a free throw is just that. A free shot from about 15 feet away with no one guarding you. Just having Shaq in the paint cre-

ates opportunities for the Lakers that other teams don't have. Sure, there may be other seven-foot players in the NBA but none of them weigh 315 pounds. Maybe someone should feed Shawn Bradley so he can step up to Shaq.

In the finals this year, Shaq and Dikembe Mutombo exchanged words before, during and after the game. Mutombo claimed that Shaq was fouling him and getting all the calls from the refs, while Shaq expressed his innocence and asked Mutombo to stop his whining.

This is just another prime example of Shaq's inflated ego. That's why we need to find this guy in the village so Shaq can get a dose of his own medicine and be bucked off his high horse.

Apparently Shaq thinks he's so cool he can also be a rapper. I am an avid hip-hop head and let me tell you what, if Shaq can rap then Def Jam needs to sign my white-skin butt. Shaq has a hard enough time formulating words to create a sentence, how does he sell albums? I'll tell you how. He is marketed as a gentle giant and all-around nice guy to young kids on posters and cereal boxes. Hell, he's even had his own movies. Well, I guess you can call them movies, and I guess you can call his work acting since it was in movie theaters.

Recently, in an interview, Shaq went so far as to name three celebrities that he has had sex with. One being Cindy Crawford, which she quickly denied. Shaq later denied it, saying it was intended to be a joke. Ha, ha. Good one Shaq. What a class act you are, you set the example that I would want my kids to follow.

So anyway, someone find this ogre of a man in a village far, far away for me please. If I have to endure another Laker championship and another season of Shaq dominance (if you want to call it that) I think I'll move to Siberia where they say basket-what? But then, what would I have to write about?

Carson signs with Northwest

Northwest head men's basketball coach Steve Tappmeyer has announced the signing of Brian Carson (Kansas City, Mo.) to a national letter-of-intent.

Carson, a six-foot-seven-inch forward, comes to Northwest from Rockhurst High School. He averaged 10 points and eight and a half rebounds per contest last season. Carson was named the MVP of the William Jewell Holiday Tournament.

"Brian comes from a very good program at Rockhurst High School. He has a very good high school coach in Marc Nusbaum, who also coached two of our current players," Tappmeyer said.

Northwest was 25-6 last season and reached the Sweet Sixteen in the NCAA Division II Tournament. The Bearcats have been to the NCAA Division II Tournament three of the past four seasons.

Teenage tennis star shakes up sports world at tournaments



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This time last year, the future of American tennis looked bleak.

With all the current American tennis stars dwindling in their 30's, they were reaching back for someone to pass the baton off to but could not really find anyone; until now.

In the past several months, 18-year-old Omaha native Andy Roddick has put two consecutive titles under his belt. Winning his first title faster than Andre Agassi, Pete Sampras, Micheal Chang or even Jim Courier, Roddick won in just his tenth tournament.

Roddick, known for consistently pounding 140 mph serves, took his first tournament by beating Sampras in March at the Greater Ericsson Open in Miami, close to the place where the up-and-coming

tennis star now calls home.

Spectators confessed that sometimes in the match Roddick did whatever he wanted to do with Sampras, just manhandling him.

After the match, ATPtour.com reported Sampras as saying, "The way he played today, the future of American tennis is looking very good."

Roddick first shot into the spotlight when he became the first American in eight years to become the No. 1 ranked junior player in the world.

Since then, he has appeared in features on CNN World Sport, ESPN, The New York Times, various tennis magazines and MTV, just to name a few.

Roddick rode into Wimbledon on his high horse with his recent

tour wins under his belt and the dark horse nomination from the tennis world.

His first-round match against fellow unseeded Ivo Heuberger was won with somewhat ease in straight sets and a tiebreaker in the third set.

The second round brought more of a challenge for Roddick. The second round brought heavily favored eleventh-seeded Thomas Johansson.

Roddick won the first two sets and then dropped the third before winning the fourth in a seesaw battle behind his 104-mph average second serve.

However, Roddick's third-round match would prove to be his last. Roddick went up against three-time Wimbledon runner-up Goran Ivanisevic.

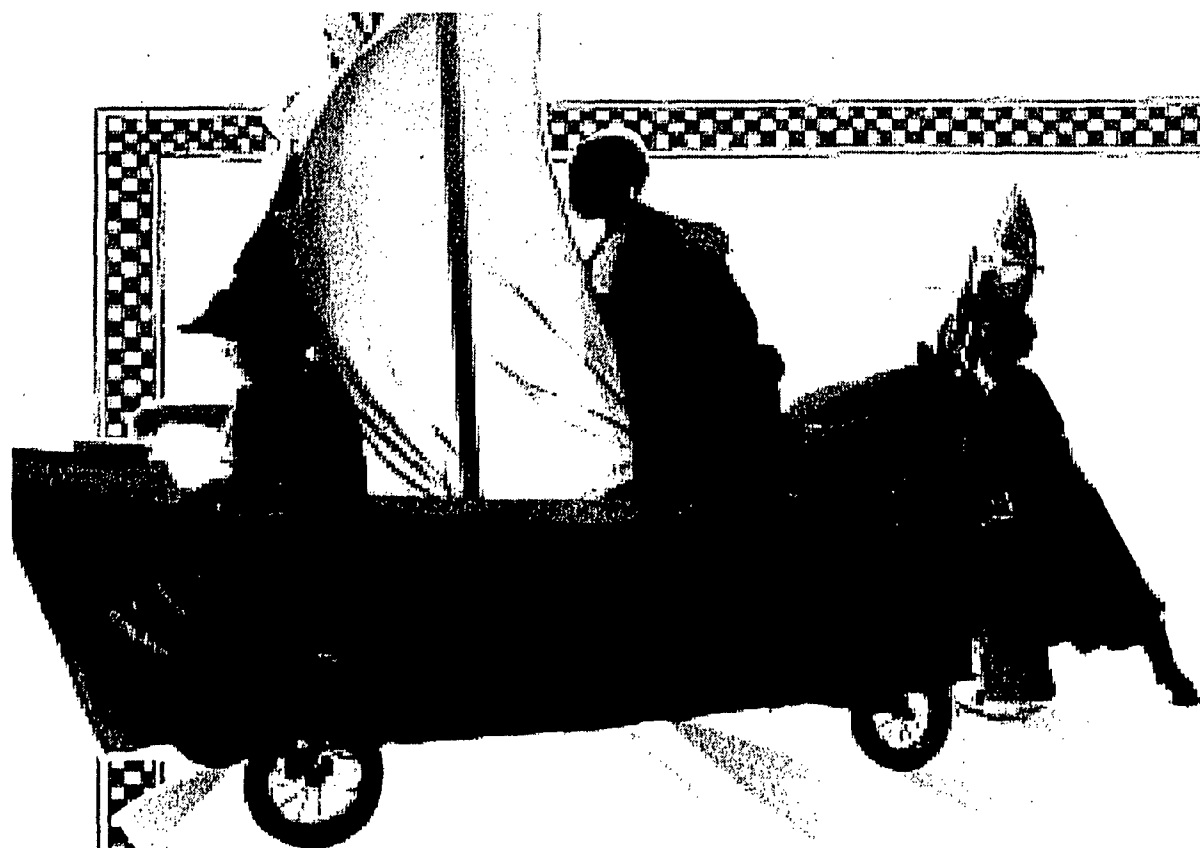
While both players were unseeded, both were arguably the most dangerous players in the draw because of their monstrous serves and their nothing to lose attitude.

The match was an epic four-set match which included 61 aces (20 from Roddick and 41 from Ivanisevic).

After a close first two sets, Roddick took the third with relative ease before dropping the match in the fourth.

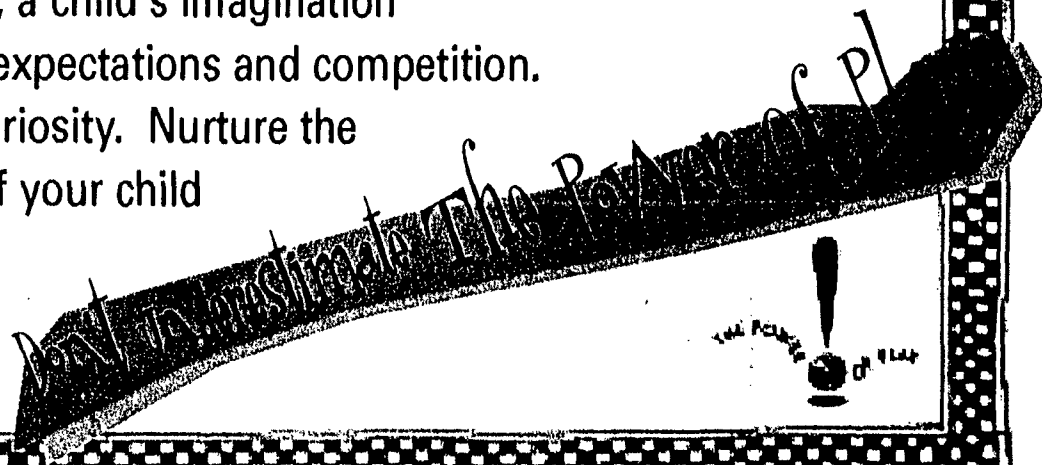
Now Roddick heads back to Boca Raton, Fla., where he plans to spend his time relaxing with his fellow American tennis friends Jan-Micheal Gambil and the Byran brothers before the Los Angeles event next month.

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Artist, Professor, Former Child

To a child, playtime is a rehearsal for the real life they will one day inherit from us. To grow, a child's imagination needs time away from structure, expectations and competition. Encourage the development of curiosity. Nurture the inquisitive child. Love that part of your child that longs to daydream.



Fun on the Fourth

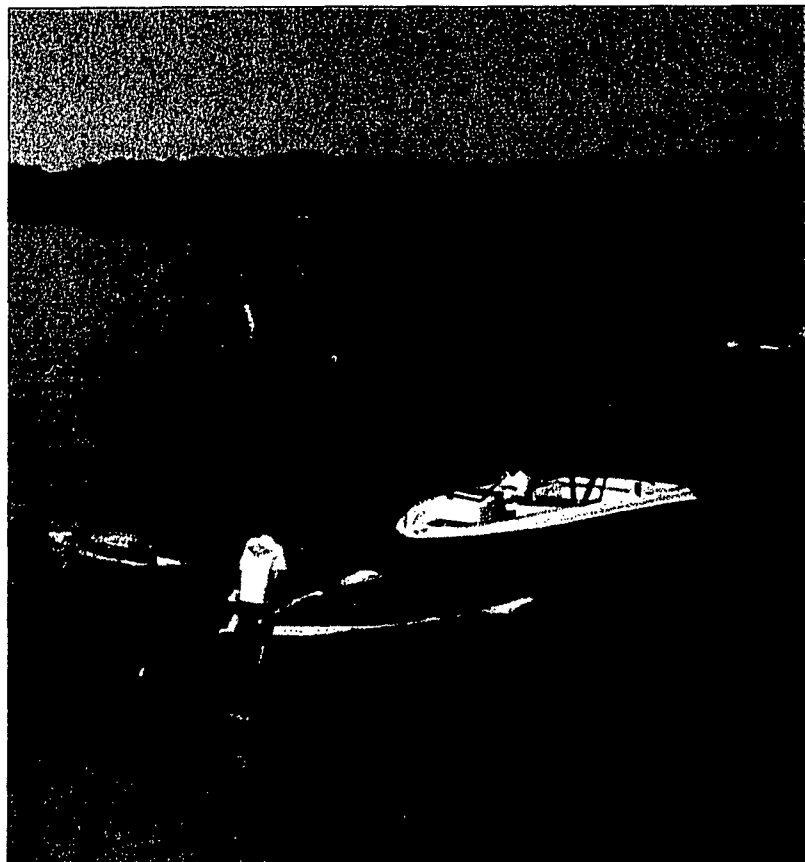


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The boat ramp at Mozingo Lake was a busy place on Independence Day. Boaters took advantage of the sunny weather to relax on the water.



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Paige Quilty, 8 months, participates in the Lisa Lane Fourth of July parade as part of her duty as Miss USA 2025. The parade featured children riding bicycles and wearing costumes.



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Dave, Deb and Megan Cooper shop for fireworks at a fireworks stand on North Main. Fireworks are illegal in Maryville except for July 4 from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.



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Boats and jet skis were abundant at Mozingo Lake on the Fourth of July. Mozingo Lake also hosted a fireworks display that began at dusk.



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Justine Yount, 5, (left), and Samantha Dooley, 4, taste the frosting before the cake is cut. They were taking part in a neighborhood barbecue after marching in a parade.



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Justine Yount, 5, pulls Tori McGlothlin around in her wagon after the Lisa Lane parade. The neighborhood celebrates Independence Day by hosting a parade and barbecue.



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Children in the Lisa Lane Fourth of July parade make their way back up the hill. The children look forward to the event every year. The parade was started by Jan Corley 24 years ago.